

Will preach in Ash Wednesday service

South African clergyman to speak Tuesday

A South African clergyman, who was detained and then tortured for his views on apartheid in that country, will speak on campus Tuesday, Feb. 19, as part of Black History Month.

The Rev. Ndaganani Phaswana, the executive secretary of the Northern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in South Africa, will discuss "South African Apartheid from the Perspective of One Who Has Suffered" at 7:30 p.m. in the Buckmaster Room of the Whitehouse Business Center.

Phaswana, who will be on campus Tuesday through Friday, is serving a one-year appointment as pastor at St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN. He will also preach at the Ash Wednesday Service at 10 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

Phaswana, a parish pastor as well as church official, was incarcerated for five months in 1982 and tortured after being accused of bombing a police station. He still carries the torture marks on his body. He says it was his stand against apartheid that

angered African officials.

He is a member of the black majority in South Africa who are confined to assigned "homelands" and disenfranchised from political and economic power.

He holds strong views on the U.S. abstention from the vote on apartheid in the United Nations and says that abstention is viewed as support for segregation.

While in the U.S., Phaswana addressed the 12th general convention of the American Lutheran Church.

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Campus outraged by tenure denials

Students, faculty members upset primarily with Cottam decision

by SHELLY GREEN, ROGER BRADLEY

The denial of tenure to three faculty members last week has upset many students and faculty members.

The greatest outrage is in the case of Dr. Doris Cottam, associate professor of sociology.

Also denied tenure were Dr. Joan Griffin, assistant professor of English, and Sandy Lobeck, assistant professor of biology.

The *Trumpet* received several letters voicing opposition to the decisions (see pages 4 and 5). Students were rallying around Cottam, citing her teaching style, care for students and two consecutive "Professor of the Year" nominations.

"I have learned more from Doris [Cottam] than any other person on campus," wrote junior Pat Simmons. "She teaches more than what is in books, she teaches how to get along with and even to like people that you do not agree with."

Two student meetings were held to organize a campaign to appeal the decision in Cottam's case.

At a meeting in the Grossmann Gauntlet Friday, Dr. Dan Thomas, associate professor of political science, said the college could not do better than Cottam in finding someone to teach in the Sociology Department.

"This decision was a slap in the face to everyone who gave Doris a good evaluation and thought she is highly qualified for a tenured position," Thomas said.

According to Dr. Edwin Welch, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty, tenure is a com-

mitment of the institution to allow a faculty member to remain here for the rest of his/her teaching life, unless the college can prove in a court of law his/her incompetency or should a reduction of personnel become necessary.

Faculty members are eligible for tenure after the equivalent of five years of teaching. Three years of teaching may be transferred from another school.

A decision of tenure must be made in the sixth year, and if this is not done, tenure is granted automatically.

If tenure is denied, the faculty member is given one year prior notice of his/her termination. For example, Cottam has the rest of this year and all of next year at Wartburg and then she must leave.

Cottam can appeal the decision. According to Welch, Cottam has two weeks from the day of announcement of her tenure denial to appeal the decision.

Cottam said she has not made any definite plans as to what she will do. She is encouraged by the reaction of people on campus to the decision.

"The response from students and faculty is heartwarming," she said.

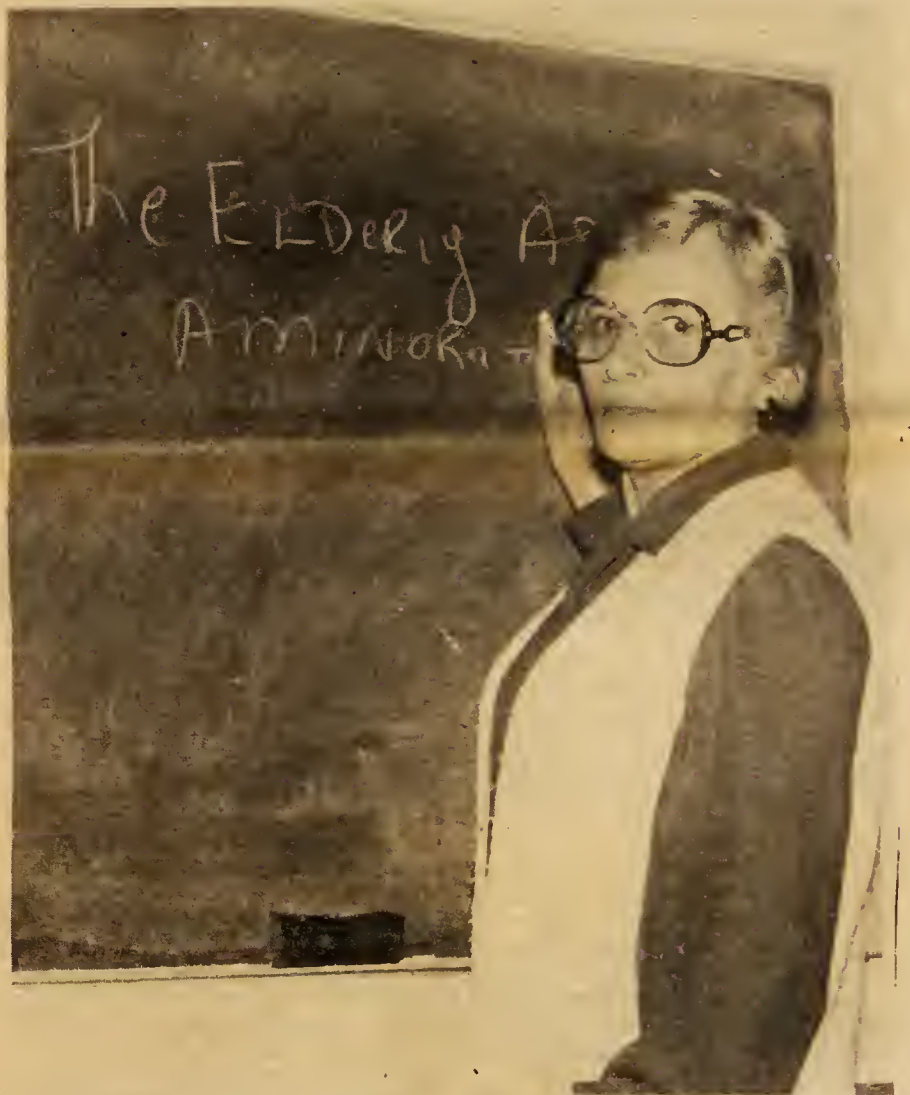
Student letters indicate a "fight" to save Cottam will occur.

"Having Doris [Cottam] in our classrooms is right, and there will be a fight," wrote senior Tammy Mortensen.

The appeal process has disadvantages, though, according to Welch.

Two committees are involved in the appeal process: The Faculty Committee and the Appointment and Rank

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Dr. Doris Cottam, associate professor of sociology, was denied tenure by the college's Board of Regents, outraging several students and faculty members. Cottam said she might appeal the decision. Mark Everlist photo.

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Hamrick dropout scraps convention

SBP candidates announced

by CRAIG SESKER.

The scheduled convention for the 1985-86 offices of student body president and vice president has been scrapped because one of the candidates dropped out, narrowing the field to two.

The convention had been slated for March 16 with the objective of trimming the number of prospective candidates to two, however junior Doug Hamrick pulled out of the race, consequently making the convention unnecessary. Senate office elections are now scheduled for Tuesday, March 19.

The candidates who will seek to succeed Teresa Zimmerman and Dan Huston as student body president and vice president are "good people." Juniors Johgina Densmore and Ward Prine comprise one tandem of candidates while sophomore Andy Roquet and junior Lisa Wille will provide opposition. Huston believes the candidates are strong and expects "a good race."

"I think it will be a good race," Huston said.

"They're all good people and it seems like they all want the position."

Campaigning by the candidates begins today (Feb. 18) although Huston notes there probably won't be much heated discussion until after Winter Term break. The candidates will present their platforms in the March 11 edition of the *Trumpet*.

Huston, who is in charge of coordinating the election, said he will decide on a date for the debate between the candidates. He expects the debate to be scheduled approximately a week before the election.

The platforms presented by the candidates will include background information on the students, views on issues of student concern and plans to take action once elected.

Besides the positions of president and vice president, junior Brian J. Janssen and sophomore Mark Ross are running for the post of treasurer while sophomore Mary Peters is the lone candidate for the office of secretary (recorder).



American society would be much better without its racism explains Tony Brown, host and executive producer of "Tony Brown's Journal," to a convocation audience Wednesday in Neumann Auditorium.

Convocation address

America must shed its racist thinking: Brown

by TIM MANNING

Putting a new perspective on the value of Black History Month, Tony Brown made no bones about it—American society would be better without racism.

Brown, the host and executive producer of "Tony Brown's Journal" which is the longest running national black affairs television series, focused on the facts and fallacies of cultural biases in today's society in his convocation address Wednesday in Neumann Auditorium.

Although it is common to hold the belief that little or no racism exists today, Brown said blacks are labeled as foreigners despite playing a vital role in America's society.

"If you took us out of the country, Wall Street would have crashed last week," Brown said. "This country could not survive without us."

A by-product of Black History Month is to "help whites understand America better" and also understand other cultures, Brown said. More importantly, blacks must gain feelings of pride and self-worth.

"There are those of us that have been denied some of those fundamental feelings of loving ourselves," he said. "Black History Month is our attempt to gain those feelings, and it is also our intent for others to share in our dignity."

Television is a major source of racism, and blacks are sometimes presented as irresponsible people. Brown said this "is a lie," and also branches off tasteless stereotypes that are not based on reality.

"It is an insult to present us as an uncaring people and it is the most atrocious untruth about us," Brown charged.

His major complaint was the ignorance of racism in America because "we all came here with our cultural baggage." Since everyone in this country is a native-American, it is not ethical to treat blacks as if they are different.

"We are hung up on the way we look," Brown said. "The entire business of race is incongruous with the

facts. God never got around to making races—we created races in our imagination."

Yet, Brown's objective was not to describe the oppression of blacks, but to illustrate what the solutions are.

One area in which blacks have taken a back seat to whites is in improving economically. The income gap has not closed by one penny in the last 20 years, and Brown said blacks can only blame themselves.

"We spend money in a 180-degree angle away from ourselves," Brown said. "We do it because we do not love ourselves, because we believe that people who are not blacks somehow are superior to us."

Lack of reinforcement is one reason why many blacks are under-achievers, Brown said, and blacks often internalized stereotypes give them a sense of inferiority. He said blacks must recognize their real heritage and potential.

"Nothing will change in America unless blacks learn they are Africans," Brown said, "and use it as a basis of pride and as a basis for competition to dominate economics just as we dominate sports, singing and dancing."

Brown said blacks cannot let others define who they are, and also must not make war with their critics. Instead, he said, blacks must accept themselves and turn their ears.

"Love for yourself, which is the basis for loving others, is the most essential quality in a culturally deprived society," Brown said. "I am free of the nonsense of racism and that makes me freer than most people will ever be."

Brown said blacks are judged for their language use and not their ability to communicate. He also said someone cannot be separated from their culture, and rejecting someone's language is really rejecting the person.

He emphasized that people should not be judged by their race, color or language, but only one's character should be judged.

"Character is something you get by doing the right thing," Brown said. "The people you recognize in life are those with character."

newsbriefs

The Trumpet will not be published the next two Mondays because of Mid Term break. The next issue of the *Trumpet* is March 11.

A Western Casino Night will take place Saturday, March 9, in Buhr Lounge, beginning at 8 p.m. The evening, sponsored by the Student Alumni Council, will feature games, prizes and a best western costume contest.

Chapel this week: Tuesday, Feb. 19—service led by the Rev. Dennis Gilbert, Shell Rock Methodist Church; Thursday, Feb. 21—morning suffrage led by Pastor Larry Trachte; Friday, Feb. 22—service led by senior Jim Buchheim in Buhr Lounge. An Ash Wednesday service will be led by the Rev. Ndaganani Phaswana, of South Africa, at 10 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

Wednesday evening vespers will be led by senior Tammy Mortensen, in Centennial Lounge, at 9.

Applications for positions of *Trumpet* editor, *Fortress* editor, *Castle* editor, *Page* editor and KWAR station manager for the 1985-86 school year are due Friday, Feb. 22. Applications can be obtained from Karen Funk in the Visitors Center and must be returned to Kathy Meyer, chairperson of the Publications and Broadcast Committee, in the PE Complex.

Ujamaa week basketball marathon sign-ups are in the Student Union. The marathon is March 16 and 17. The volleyball tournament is Thursday, March 14, in the PE Complex. Teams are to contact Kathy Meyer. Donations for the Ujamaa auction, held Tuesday, March 12, are to be directed to Stacey Maroushek.

Plans are underway to produce an all-campus, student-produced musical during May Term 1985. The musical selection is "Brigadoon." Auditions will be March 18 and 19.

A panel of young people recovering from alcoholism and other drug dependence problems will present the second program in CARE's February series, "Never Too Young," Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the East Room.

Elections for the position of off-campus senator will be held Tuesday, Feb. 19.

A Sadie Hawkins dance will be held Friday, March 8, from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. in Buhr Lounge.

"Yentl," a movie starring Barbra Streisand, will be shown Saturday, March 9, at 8 p.m., in Neumann Auditorium. Admission is \$1.

Women's History Week starts Monday, March 4, with a talk by Dr. Glenda Riley, at 7:30 p.m. in Voecks Auditorium. Tuesday, March 5, a fashion slide show will be shown in Voecks Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, a film will be shown in Buhr Lounge from 10-11:30 a.m. and a coffeehouse will also be held at 7:30 p.m.

Roxanne Conlin will speak on campus Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. in Buhr Lounge as part of Women's History Week.

1985 graduates: The list for the commencement bulletin is available in the Registrar's Office. Students may stop by and check the list for accuracy.

Western acts are needed for the Student Alumni Council's Western Casino Night Saturday, March 9. Interested persons can contact Christy Scheidt, box 1143, Sarah Weissenbuehler, box 103, or Johgina Densmore, box 913.

Faculty and staff interested in participating in a faculty/staff talent show on March 16 are asked to contact Andrea Romine, ext. 305.

University of Illinois is hosting a pre-medical conference for interested undergraduate students March 30-31. More information on the conference is available from Jay Smith, ext. 355.

Traffic Commission meets Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in the basement of Old Main. Students wishing to appeal tickets may attend.

Deadline for the Engelbrecht Library Art Contest is March 22.

New information important before filing tenure appeal

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Committee.

Each committee decides whether the appeal is substantiated. If either committee decides it is not, the appeal is denied.

New information is also important. "The issue now is, 'What is the best decision?' If there is additional information that was not considered, then the committees need to hear that."

The impact of student protest may be minimal, because "there were a considerable amount of students who expressed their views originally," said Welch.

Welch said the tenure process also has its drawbacks.

"One disadvantage of the tenure

process is that you have to decide whether to keep them for the rest of their lives. You don't get a second guess," he said. "These are decisions about people we know, love and care about."

According to Thomas, tenure contracts haven't been offered to any new faculty members in the past three years.

Two areas are reviewed in the process of granting tenure, Welch said. The most important is teaching and advising.

Second is what he described as "community service." This includes research, community work, support of activities and recruitment.

Myths about women's influence in shaping frontier remain: Riley

by SHELLY GREEN

Glenda Riley, professor of history and coordinator of the Women's Studies Program at the University of Northern Iowa, sees the feminist movement through a different window.

She sees it through a historian's window.

Riley will speak about women and their heritage at Wartburg during Women's History Week on Monday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m. in Voecks Auditorium. Her topic is women and the American Indians.

Riley has given many talks during Women's History Week in the past and will spend much of March speaking.

"FOR A LONG time, we have been teaching history in a skewed fashion," Riley explained. "Neither men or women have a clear picture of the part each gender played in the shaping of our heritage."

She recognized this in her research of frontierswomen and their contact with Indians.

"I came to Iowa to teach history and research Iowa women and I came across data about Indians that didn't fit the myths," Riley said.

The thrust of her talk at Wartburg and the thesis of her latest work involves the different relationships between white men and Indians and white women and Indians.

"As our ancestors settled the Plains and the West, they continued to push the Indians out. The white men got into the fighting," Riley explained. "By

U.S. and Women's History and directs the UNI Women's Studies Program.

She spends half of her time with her academic advising and teaching duties and the other half is spent programming and meeting with her advisory board.

For March 1 to 13, Riley has several panels and speakers scheduled to recognize the History Week.

SHE TEACHES on Mondays and Wednesdays. The other weekdays are spent at home writing on her word processor. Meetings break up each day.

Riley's current project is a book on the role of women in the settling of the Great Plains. She would also like to edit a collection of essays on western women.

"Sketching Mexican and American women in California and New Mexico would be a fascinating topic," Riley said.

She plans to stay at UNI.

"There is a good demand and considerable support for my work," Riley said.

She finds students extremely bright and receptive.

"STUDENTS ARE extremely bright, but so much is happening to them in college and the job pressures are so strong that they are not open to what is happening to them.

"Still, it's not like it was in the 70's", she said. "We are in a very conservative phase and feminists are lying low to get through it."

As a historian, Riley sees cycles of liberalism and conservatism. She believes the feminist movement will spring back very energetically soon.

"This present movement has a lot of potential because it has such a broad scope of goals," Riley explained. "Women aren't out for the vote and the fight is not limited to the white middle class. Poor, rich, black, white women and men included are involved."

"It'll be hard to stop this movement because it's woven into the fabric of society," she pointed out. "This movement is the most established of any there have been in the past. There are magazines representative of the movement and agencies in government like affirmative action that are behind the movement."

Riley's goals for the movement are equity and autonomy for all individuals.

"BY EQUITY, I mean equal opportunities like equal pay. By autonomy, I mean the freedom to make decisions about life whether one is black, white or purple," Riley said. "Age, color and sex should not play a part in those decisions."

Riley believes that the road ahead is long for altering the attitude toward men and their role in society.

"We need to concentrate on men and realize that our problems hurt the oppressors as well as the oppressed group," Riley said.

She is afraid she won't live to see the first female or black president or vice president.

"I HOPE I'm proven wrong," she said. "Maybe we are ready for that step. This election it was hard to determine if it was Geraldine [Ferraro, the Democratic vice presidential candidate], the weakness of [Walter] Mondale or the strength of Reagan that determined the race."

Riley stressed that women can learn from their heritage.

"Knowledge of our heritage gives identity, connectiveness and meaning which is vital to any group of people. It tells us where we've come from," Riley said.

"Knowledge of our history helps us know where we are going, too. It can help us make future decisions and know what to do."

'Gender must be considered in thinking about the historical situation during this expansion period.'

—Glenda Riley

definition of their role, white women were trading and making friends with Indian men and women. Relations were very good and intermarriage occurred often."

Riley said the males filled an adversary role and the women filled a collegial role.

"WHILE MEN were fighting, women were trading child care techniques and interacting positively with the Indians," she said.

"Gender must be considered in thinking about the historical situation during this expansion period," Riley explained. "Women went west with a negative image of Indians as savages. Two-thirds of the women changed their minds after being on the frontier while men did not change."

Riley has extracted this idea from her vast research. She has read from 400 to 500 diaries, letters and memoirs of both men and women. She has researched from Connecticut to California, spending time at Yale and the Bancroft and Huntington Libraries in California.

Research is a satisfying part of the job of a history professor Riley finds.

"IT'S LIKE BEING A DETECTIVE. It's a challenge to take the pieces and reconstruct them. Bringing them together in a meaningful way to present to others is another challenge," Riley said.

Amidst the time it takes to research and write up her findings about frontierswomen, Riley teaches classes in



"Sex is not the key to love, love is the key to sex," explains Rusty Wright, author of three books on love and sex, to a Buckmaster Room audience Thursday.

Wright: Unconditional love keys 'dynamic sex'

by TIM MANNING

How can sex be better? Does sex make a good love life? Is sex better before or after the marriage vows are taken?

These are some of the questions asked by Rusty Wright who spoke on the topic of "Dynamic Sex: Unlocking the Secrets of Love" Thursday in the Buckmaster Room of the Whitehouse Business Center.

To the couples listening to the talk, Wright said he could not guarantee they would leave together.

"Don't settle for a good sex life, settle for a dynamic sex life," Wright said.

His intention was not to give advice on how sex can be improved, but how sex can put the icing on a perfect relationship, not corrupting lives with false hopes and securities.

Wright, an author of three books on sex and love, said sex is not as important physically as mentally. He said there is no way good sexual technique can compensate for a poor relationship.

The best sex life can only take place after a commitment is made and you can give your total person to the other, Wright said. He believes a couple's love must be unconditional, not based on loving someone "because or if."

"One of the greatest reasons for failure in the bedroom is performance fears," Wright said. "Good sex results from the same qualities that make a good relationship."

Wright said he waited until his marriage before having sex for moral reasons and because of the value of publicly announcing a commitment. He said the difference is like being hungry and having to choose between a Bologna sandwich right away or fillet

mignon an hour later. The advantages are in waiting.

He said it is wiser to first try your compatibility as a person, and premature sex harms a couple more than it helps them. Getting married and making a full commitment is one step towards dynamic sex.

"Sex is not the key to love," Wright said. "Love is the key to a good sex life."

Couples often fail to recognize what love is about, Wright said, and too often it is mistaken for self-satisfaction.

"Love is not based on the person being loved but the person doing the loving," he said.

A good relationship requires several things, especially being able to forgive, communicate and admit your mistakes, he said.

"Learn to say you're wrong—it might hurt but you would be amazed at how it can heal," Wright said. "The time when your partner probably deserves love the least is when she needs it the most."

Wright said the most important component of a sex life is your self-worth.

"When your self-image improves your performance as a person improves, and so does your emotions for your partner," he said.

He also gave advice to those who are afraid of emotions because they were spiritually hurt during or after a sexual relationship. Self-worth is often difficult to achieve when you feel you have sinned against God, Wright said, but it is not too late.

"Accepting God's forgiveness helps your self-image and can make your actions more righteous and fulfilling," Wright said.

editorial

Re-examine tenure theory

Last week, the Minnesota Twins signed all-star first baseman Kent Hrbek to a multi-year, multi-million dollar contract. The team's owners hope Hrbek will be a Twin for the rest of his playing days.

The team didn't have to offer Hrbek the multi-year contract. They could have offered him one- or two-year pacts. The Twins weren't faced with an all-or-nothing decision.

It's a shame Wartburg doesn't use a similar philosophy in dealing with professors.

Students are outraged that a few instructors weren't tenured last week. Unless appeals are filed and then won, those professors will be teaching elsewhere in a year.

Often, the professor's effectiveness isn't the main reason behind denying tenure. The college can't afford to offer life-time contracts to some professors.

But that isn't the reason tenure was started. Tenure gives a professor "academic freedom," the opportunity to teach free from administrative input.

But shouldn't every professor enjoy academic freedom? If the teaching method is effective, why does a professor need tenure to continue that method? But if the method is ineffective, even tenured professors should make changes. This doesn't occur at Wartburg.

The primary job of professors should be to teach students. The game which professors play with administrators to get tenure must stop.

Should professors adopt teaching styles they don't like in order to get tenure? Should they devote more time gaining notoriety doing research, writing articles and holding offices—all which take time away from teaching—or should they devote more time to students? Students see notoriety carrying more weight in the tenure process.

The failure to tenure effective professors is heightened by student complaints of less effective, tenured professors. If Hrbek fails to perform up to standards, the Twins will likely make him change his hitting or fielding style, or they will send him elsewhere.

The tenure process at Wartburg must be re-examined. Does tenure help keep the most effective professors at Wartburg, or is it primarily a financial decision which allows faculty members to become lazy, ineffective and out of date?

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Trachte encouraged by care for community from students

We at Wartburg are a close-knit community. I sometimes even go so far as to call us "family," but that's probably a bit much to expect from 1,500 or so students, faculty and staff.

Most of the time it's fun to belong to a close-knit community. It's great to walk across campus, to have people greet you and call you by name. There are even those who will give you hugs, send you Valentines, laugh with you when you're happy and cry with you when you're sad. It's good to "belong" to something bigger than yourself. That's a special privilege for athletic teams, choirs, bands, floors, and at other times like the Luther-Wartburg game, even for the campus as a whole.

I think it's a good sign. It means we are taking our community seriously. It means that we care about one another...

There are other times when it hurts to belong to a community. It happens when others fail to value or respect your opinions. Sometimes the basis for community is changed or disrupted, and you can no longer share or accept the principles upon which fellowship was founded. Perhaps the most painful of all is when relationships are broken through disagreement or departure. It is then that the real strength and character of a community is challenged.

This has been a painful week for us as a Wartburg College community. Tenure decisions have been made, which by their very nature change the face of our community. Always difficult decisions, it seems that this year more people than ever have been affected. I have never heard so many of us—faculty, students and staff—so vocal in voicing our concerns for what these decisions mean for our life together.

I think it's a good sign. It means we are taking our community seriously. It means that we care about one another and truly are concerned for the individuals affected, as well as for the community as a whole. I have been especially encouraged by student response. In an age when students are accused of being apathetic and concerned only

letters

Lack of student input in tenure process has senior 'bewildered'

We who are concerned about this college must fight the latest assault on the Wartburg community. Although I am quite upset about some of the recent tenure decisions, I am more angry and bewildered by the tenure process itself.

I asked Dean Edwin Welch to explain the tenure process. After hearing his explanation, I pointed out that students have few chances to make their opinions known. No public announcement is made about who is up for tenure, promotion or contract renewal. This immediately limits the input from students for decisions that directly affect them.

Welch said students are heard: course evaluations, interviews with students from the professor's classes, and student letters of recommendation may all be included in the faculty member's file. There are at least three problems with this analysis.

First, most students are not aware that course evaluations are used for this purpose. We are led to believe they are used only to help the professor evaluate her or his own courses. Second, student interviews (selected at random) are generally conducted by only one person (dean of the faculty). Students never have the chance to read the summary of the conversation to see if their views were accurately represented. Third, since the professor compiles documentation to prove that tenure is deserved, she or he must solicit letters of recommendation from students and alumni. It is unrealistic to expect the professor to ask each student who was ever in a class to write a letter. So a select few are asked to write, while there may be many others who also have strong feelings about

about getting a degree and earning money, it is heartening to see students voicing their opinions and offering their support, even to the point of organizing "opposition." That kind of thing hasn't happened at Wartburg since the 60's and early 70's.

"Thank heavens for that!" some might respond. But ponder it for a moment. Would it really be better to live in a community where people didn't matter? Where valued members could be hired and fired with nary a ripple on the stagnant pond? It is that kind of apathy that leads to totalitarian societies, bound together only by power from above.

It's important that we voice our concern. It's equally important that our concern is heard and taken seriously. In hope of furthering the dialogue, I offer some constructive suggestions:

1. Let's work at avoiding an "us vs. them" mentality. Assume that those who make these difficult decisions have the best interest of our community at heart, at least until it's proven otherwise.
2. Don't assume that everyone who disagrees with us is blind, stupid or misinformed. They may be, but on the other hand there are probably reasons why they did what they did. Until new evidence is presented these reasons will probably stand.

Pastor's
Ponderings

by LARRY TRACHTE

3. Don't underestimate the power of an individual. It may seem like a hopeless cause at times, but our stance may encourage others to join us. And "a voice crying in the wilderness" is better than no voice at all.

4. Don't become consumed by hate or cynicism. Neither one does anything constructive for the individual or for the community. As the old saying goes, "Hate consumes its container."

5. Finally, there are probably all kinds of reasons why we should ignore the whole thing—after all, it's not our business. (That's what the Germans said in the 1930's.) But that's only true if we're really not members of a community after all.

the professor's teaching abilities and service to the community.

My last criticism is the structure of the Appointment and Rank Committee which hears tenure cases. The committee members are the college president, dean of the faculty, and two tenured faculty members. Welch said the committee makes a recommendation to the president, who then recommends a course of action to the Board of Regents—the board actually makes the decision. I am troubled that the dean provides and interprets so much information to the committee and then can vote on the issue. The committee makes a recommendation to the president, who is also a voting member. I think there is an ethical consideration here that must be addressed.

As a student at this college, I believe I must have a voice in tenure procedures. I am not asking that students be given power to hire and fire faculty. I am demanding that we are given ample opportunity to voice our opinions—favorable or unfavorable—when faculty members are considered for tenure, promotion or contract renewal.

I urge all members of the Wartburg community to think about these issues. If you are confused by or have criticisms of the tenure process, or are upset by specific decisions announced this week, make an appointment to see Dean Welch or President Vogel. Administrators recently asked for our input; let's give it to them.

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letters

Students upset by Cottam tenure decision

Student voice not heard, Anderson charges

This letter is to voice a protest to the denial of tenure to Dr. Doris Cottam on behalf of myself and many of the students at Wartburg College. I realize that the decision by this college to grant tenure to anyone should not be taken lightly. By granting tenure, the college assumes a substantial financial commitment because it places a professor, making an average of \$22,700 per year, on the payroll possibly until retirement. Also, granting tenure means that this college officially recognizes that the professor's teaching methods are up to the standards of quality recommended by Wartburg. However, when the Appointment and Rank Committee, consisting of the college president, dean of faculty and two 10-year members of the faculty, fails to grant tenure to a professor, it means the professor has the option of leaving after the current school year or of negotiating an additional one-year contract. Either way, they must leave Wartburg.

First, I personally feel that Dr. Cottam (Doris to those who know her or have had her in class) is a professor that would be worthy of such a commitment. She has rare qualities of being an excellent instructor and a caring individual, both on and off the campus. As an instructor, Doris has a very unique but effective style of teaching. She has the knack for making the driest material seem interesting, even fun to learn. She knows when to stop lecturing and sit down with the class to really talk about the material. Her technique allows students the opportunity to react to the information and discuss the meaning.

Another characteristic that makes Doris special is taking time to know students individually. This not only includes stopping to talk for a couple of minutes, but also willing to listen to students' personal problems and help in any way she can.

Dr. Cottam has been extensively involved in many organizations while at Wartburg. She was the adviser for BMAO for three years, a member of the Educational Policies Committee, faculty adviser for

residence halls, a member of the Quiz Bowl Committee, and the non-traditional student adviser.

Doris is active in the Waverly community as well. During her five years in Waverly, she has been a member of such organizations as the church council at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, served as president of Wartburg Women, ran for City Council, was a member of the Executive Board for the League of Women Voters, served on the County Platform Committee and was delegate to the County and Regional Convention. These "extra-curricular" activities prove that Doris is a very active member of the Waverly community as well as a valuable member of Wartburg College. It is these qualifications, qualities and overall Wartburg spirit that I believe make Dr. Doris Cottam a very deserving candidate for tenure.

Secondly, I would like to protest this denial on behalf of many of the students at Wartburg. Not only could we lose an excellent professor, but this act by the administration really shows students how much they really listen to what we have to say. Dr. Cottam has twice been nominated, *by the students*, for Professor of the Year. Maybe I am wrong in this assumption, but I would have to think that this is a message from the students of Wartburg, to Dr. Cottam and the administration, that she is doing something right! Yet the Appointment and Rank Committee goes against the wishes of the students and refuses to grant tenure. I feel this is a slap in the face to myself and the rest of the Wartburg community who have given Dr. Cottam our full support.

Dr. Cottam has come to Wartburg late in her career, but ever since she came to Wartburg she has devoted her whole self to this institution and to its students. She has made it her "family"—adopted it. I feel that Wartburg College should have adopted her in return.

Todd Anderson
senior

Conformity is more important: Simmons

Throughout the school year I have sat back and listened to people as they complained about all that is wrong with Wartburg. For the most part, I see Wartburg as having a few small problems that are being blown out of proportion. But last week a major flaw was shown to us. The flaw is that Wartburg's administration does not care about education as much as they care about conformity.

Last Monday, Dr. Doris Cottam was turned down for tenure. Any person that has had a class with Doris knows the reason she was turned down is not because she isn't a great teacher, or that she isn't enthusiastic, or that she doesn't love her work and her students. No, the reason Doris was turned down is that she won't conform. Apparently, Doris stands for everything that Wartburg's administration considers wrong, like being outspoken, liberal, and affectionate towards her students. The idea of students calling a professor by his or her first name is different so it must be wrong. Right?

In my two-and-a-half years at Wartburg, I have learned more from Doris than any other person on campus. She teaches more than what is in her books, she teaches how to get along with and even to like people that you do not agree with. Doris also tells people to be fair, not closed minded; it's too bad Wartburg's administration did not take a class from her.

Let's hope Wartburg reviews Doris' case and gives her the tenure she deserves. As Doris would say, let me tell ya, baby, they have made a big mistake.

Patrick Simmons
junior

'Crazy old lady' makes Wartburg special: Mortensen

I came to Wartburg by accident. Family and government circumstances forced me to come to college halfway through my senior year of high school. Wartburg was close enough to home to keep in contact with relationships there. My intent was to leave after my first semester, then spend my first full year at another college. I stayed because I felt loved and significant.

The love that I felt at that time seems to have taken a back seat at Wartburg lately. No longer is the Wartburg "hi" that visiting students hear as loving and as frequent as it once was. I felt this happening last year and considered leaving.

But a crazy old lady sat me down and reminded me that love reaches beyond words. She reminded me that the "philosophy of love" means giving and not expecting anything in return. When I quit expecting it, it came back 1,000 times over.

I stayed because a crazy old lady took time out of class so students could meet each other and learn

to care about what people are "passionate" about, not just learn their name or class.

Now Wartburg is attempting to end this. We have failed to give Doris (or Dr. Cottam if you haven't met her) tenure. This woman, who is the only professor besides Larry Trachte who has been willing to express love in the classroom, has been told she is too liberal. Is it because she refuses to allow people to believe in something simply because they were told it is true?

If you are one that has no basis, no reason for your belief, you probably don't like Doris. She dares to challenge us to think about life outside the classroom. But if you have a foundation to your life and beliefs, I'm sure you will find Doris to be quite a woman. Her love has no stipulations that you believe as she does. Only that you know why you believe, not just what you believe.

Nearly 25 years ago my father left this college because his adviser didn't have time for him. If

Wartburg's priorities don't lean a little more towards the expression of Christian love, (we are a "Christian" college) and a little away from the almighty dollars, there will be more who do what my father did.

The personal interaction between students, faculty and staff that we are so proud of seems to be slipping. One needs only to look at the reaction on campus about the denial of Doris' tenure to see that many students and faculty alike are shocked at the decision. It's time that the Wartburg community is heard and our voices respected. Many of us are determined to do what Doris has taught us to do. Fight for what's right. Having Doris in the classroom is right, and there will be a fight. Doris isn't about to leave the college that she has given so much to without being heard. And she won't be alone in the fight.

Tammy Mortensen
senior

knightbeat

Oppermann deserves more recognition

by **MICHAEL B. WIRTH**

In my year and a half at Wartburg, I have learned a lot about social injustice and the world and my knowledge in certain areas has increased greatly. This has brought me to one conclusion that I'm sure is shared by many, we should name something after Earnest Oppermann.

For 23 years Oppermann served as dean of students. During his years at Wartburg, he was also head baseball and golf coach. His contributions to Wartburg and its students through the years is seemingly unmatched.

I recall the first time I worked with Oppermann. I was writing women's golf stories as a freshman reporter for the *Trumpet* and the Public Information Office. He made covering sports enjoyable. He said what he thought without beating around the bush and was always very cooperative.

But it wasn't his knowledge of sports that really earned my respect. It was his caring for

the athletes, their problems and goals. He always seemed to know if an athlete had a rough week in the classroom or if they were having problems of any kind and was able to talk to them about it and help them. He was a friend and a coach to his athletes.

Later in the year I got the pleasure of writing a feature on Oppermann, in journalistic circles more commonly referred to as an "Oppy."

In the interview for that story, he seemed to care so much more about the students and what happened to them rather than just winning.

"I don't think winning is the essence of it," Oppermann said in that interview. "I appreciate much more seeing some of the sons and daughters of players pass through school. Then you really appreciate what life is all about. Maybe you've played some small part in their life."

Oppermann is also part of the Wartburg tradition. After a successful high school career, he was given a scholarship to attend Luther Col-

lege in Decorah. By a unique turn of events, Oppermann transferred to Wartburg. Luther claimed he owed the college what they had given him in scholarship money. He told a lawyer friend of his situation and never heard another word from Luther. Now that's Wartburg.

To this day, Oppermann still stops by the gymnasium and fieldhouse to watch the athletes practice and see how they're improving. He rarely misses an athletic event or other community function. He is part of Wartburg and Wartburg is a part of him.

After all he has given to Wartburg, Wartburg owes a tribute to Oppermann. Something should be named after Oppermann.

I have an idea of what should be named after Coach Oppermann, but those who have worked with him and around him for longer than I have should be given the first right to decide what is an appropriate dedication and namesake for a man who has given Wartburg so much. My idea will be revealed later.



The Board of Regents approved renovation plans for Old Main which will include an elevator and a new entrance on the north side of the 105-year-old building.

Old Main renovation set; additions include elevator, new entrance on north side

A plan to renovate Old Main along with the addition of an elevator and a new entrance on the north side has been approved by the college's Board of Regents.

The cost was projected at \$750,000, and is one of the major capital improvement projects of Phase III of The Design for Tomorrow national funding program.

The plan was submitted by Edward G. Sauer, the project architect, of Brown Healey Bock, P.C., Cedar Rapids, specialists in renovation of older buildings.

Sauer was authorized to prepare

specifications and detailed drawings so the projects can be put up for bid.

The board also looked at some other options but rejected them because of costs. One of those options was making Old Main a Humanities Center.

The college will do further study on the use and functions of Old Main so that it will have an identity of its own.

It houses the religion and philosophy departments, Learning Resource Center, Counseling and Assessment Center, Health Center, Campus Security and a classroom.

Old Main, which was built in 1880, is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Board officers re-elected

The officers of Wartburg's Board of Regents were re-elected at their annual winter meeting Saturday, Feb. 9.

They are Irving R. Burling, president of Century Companies of America, Waverly, chair; Calvin C. Peterson, director of manufacturing of Deere and Co., Moline, vice chair; the Rev. John E. Keller, chair and chief clinical officer of Parkside Medical Services, Park Ridge, IL, secretary; and Keith S. Noah, attorney with the law firm of Noah and Smith, Charles City, and Harry S. Slife, president of American

Black Hawk Broadcasting Co., Waterloo, members-at-large to the executive committee.

The board also elected Dr. Ronald Matthias as treasurer of the board. Matthias, who is vice president for financial affairs, joined the administration last summer following the retirement of Walter Fredrick, Jr.

All members of the executive committee received two-year terms.

Burling and Peterson have been officers since 1978, Keller and Noah since 1980, and Slife since 1982.

Kratchmer to accept in April

CARE given NASPA award for alcohol programming

Wartburg has been named the recipient of the Award of Merit for Outstanding Programming during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week by the board of directors of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA).

The award will be presented to Kathy Kratchmer, alcohol education coordinator, at NASPA's national meeting in Portland, OR, April 1.

National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week was Oct. 7-12, and Kratchmer and her Committee on Alcohol Responsibility and Education (CARE) ran a campus-wide educational program which included a display focusing on alternatives to substance abuse, how to say "no," drinking and driving,

a poster campaign on responsible use of alcohol, alcoholism as a disease, early warning signs of alcoholism, and showed a film entitled "A Slight Drinking Problem."

In addition to the programming for National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, CARE has been running an eight-month series of educational programs on alcohol and alcoholism for the student body and general public.

CARE has set up "Counter Cocktail Happy Hours" on Wednesdays and at campus parties to promote non-alcoholic beverages, and has also organized a student group to deal with students who have difficulty coping with stress.

Ujamaa sets goal of \$2,300, announces plans for week

by DARREN MILLER

A goal of raising \$2,300 has been set by Ujamaa for its Ujamaa Week fund drive, March 10-17.

Ujamaa, a campus awareness organization, has planned several fundraising and awareness activities for the week.

The money raised goes for construction of schools in Tanzania.

"Our way of helping fight famine is to provide for development through education," said junior Stacey Maroushek, Ujamaa chairperson. "It is a self-help project."

A "Mud Sunday" worship kicks off the week, March 10, featuring the

modeling of a brick commemorating the spirit of the week.

An international meal is scheduled Monday and an auction will be held Tuesday, March 12. Maroushek is asking students to donate materials or services which can be offered for sale.

A special Ujamaa convocation is Wednesday and a volleyball tournament will follow on March 14. A dance is tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 15, and a basketball marathon will conclude the week.

The marathon will take place in Knights Gymnasium from 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 16, to 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 17.

Student alcohol use also placed high

Life in residence halls tops Student Senate priority list

by SHELLY GREEN

Dissatisfaction with the quality of life in the residence halls topped Student Senate's priority list from the issues discussed in the Ad Hoc Committee report on campus life.

Last week, President Robert Vogel asked Senate to rank the most pressing issues needing attention. According to senior Teresa Zimmerman, student body president, life in the residence halls topped the long list.

Also high on the list were the need for a student center, concern about alcohol use and the quality and diver-

sity of campus activities.

The other issues from the Ad Hoc report were ranked as follows: socialization process, student leadership, student role in policy making, the nature of community, program resources, campus life committee and staffing.

Zimmerman sent the list of priorities to Vogel last week. A cabinet committee will attack the list in the order that Senate ranked the issues.

All issues that surfaced in the Ad Hoc Committee will be confronted, Zimmerman said. Some, however, must wait their turn.



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Board approves renovation plans; work to begin in April

by TIM MANNING

After getting the go-ahead from the Board of Regents Saturday, the administration will proceed with dorm renovations to take place over the next few years, according to Dr. Ron Matthias, vice president for financial affairs.

"I'm committed to making substantial improvements in the dormitories," Matthias said. "I think there are ways to make them more attractive and liveable."

The administration has researched areas needing improvement. Matthias said the priorities have not yet been set, but will be evaluated in a "cooperative undertaking."

"I am committed to the students' needs and interests," Matthias said. "There is no advantage to me to determine what we will do if the students don't ascertain it."

Matthias said the renovation of the dormitories will include "a series of mini-projects" to begin a long-term program to start during Spring Break. The improvement of recreation rooms and a painting project in each dorm are the targets for Spring Break.

Other projects on the priority list are painting stairwells, providing power ventilation in bathrooms, repairs on windows, side panelling for Afton Manor and new furnishings, which will include cabinets in assigned areas.

"Although we cannot start instantly, we want to start soon," Matthias said. "I wouldn't call them trivial improvements. They are essential to make the dorms attractive and something students can be proud of."

Although not yet certain of the amount of money to be spent, Matthias said "hundreds of thousands of dollars will be spent in the next few years." Along with the mini-projects the administration is looking into possible major renovations, including renovation of the food service facilities.

More work will also be done during the summer. Matthias said priorities for the long-term future will take place with more developments and after student input is considered.

"Some renovation will require careful, long-range plans, and we will respond to what develops," Matthias said.



Who is that masked woman?

Sophomore Christle Dillon sells masks and monitors the doors at the Student Activities Committee "Mardi Gras Bash" Saturday in Buhr Lounge (Another photo on page 11). John Ross photo.

Regents Scholarship competition draws 271

by DARREN MILLER

More than 270 high school students competed for Regents Scholarships leaving a "positive" feeling in the Admissions Office.

Two competitions were held—Feb. 2 and 10—with a total of 271 high school students participating.

To qualify for competition, high

school seniors must rank in the top 10 percent of their graduating class, have a minimum ACT composite of 28 or a minimum SAT score of 1150.

Scholarship awards are based on a combination of high school class rank and ACT or SAT score, an essay written while on campus and a campus

interview.

Of the 271 competing students, 66 were in the top 1 percent of their class and 47 scored a 30 or higher on the ACT exams.

Unlike past years, applicants were required to write the essay and attend the interview on campus rather than select a phone interview and mail in

the essay option.

Announcement of the awards will be made in two weeks.

"It was a positive day for Wartburg," said Doug Mason, director of admissions. "Students could talk to the faculty, see the campus and learn more about the college."



Wartburg Players logo

Wartburg Players seek sanctioning from local, national levels: director

by DARREN MILLER

The Wartburg Players, a student theatrical organization, is attempting to become sanctioned at the local and national levels.

Although only in the "raw organizational stage," Guest Director Steve Palmquist intends to establish a "formal theater program with continuity."

Palmquist is uncertain about the organization's campus status, but believes the Wartburg Players are recognized.

"If we use student money, then we have to get approval from the Student Senate," Palmquist said. "We would then need to disclose a constitution and bylaws, and we're not to that point yet."

The Wartburg Players has also applied for the recognition from the National Collegiate Players, the

oldest and most prestigious college theater organization in the country.

"The main advantage [with being sanctioned] is the recognition for the young people," Palmquist said. "If we become an ongoing campus organization, their visibility would increase."

Communication with a nation-wide information network would occur upon recognition with the National Collegiate Players, along with information published in the *Players Magazine*. Internships, scholarships, openings and audition information would be included in the publication.

"We need a drama support group on campus," Palmquist said. "Presently there is little continuity," which is bad for the director, the students and probably for the entire campus."

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Knights give clinic on ending meets



Junior Andrea Janssen wins the 60-yard dash in the Knights Invitational Saturday. She was also part of the record-setting mile relay team.

Tracksters gain more confidence after record in the mile relay

by TIM MANNING

The women's track team gave a clinic on how to end its own invitational with a bang, as the mile relay broke a four-year record in the Knights Invitational Friday in the Physical Education Complex.

The relay broke both the school and fieldhouse records. The relay, consisting of juniors Andrea Janseen and Karen Baumgartner, freshman Sandy Kline and sophomore Nancy Balding, covered the distance in 4:14 to break the old record by four seconds.

"I wanted to end the meet on a high note so they would look forwards to the next meet after the break," Wuertz said. "They are really starting to believe in themselves."

In their final meet before a two-week layoff, the women's track team showed their depth and self-motivation en route to a strong performance.

Coach Liz Wuertz expected strong competition from Loras, but her team met their goals and the challenge, as the Knights won six events and had nine second-place finishers.

Janssen continued her dominance in the long jump and the 60-yard dash. Janssen's leap of 16 feet, nine inches was almost four feet better than the runner-up.

Balding breezed to first-place honors in the 880-yard run with a respectable time of 2:23.

The other individual winner for the Knights was freshman Lynne Shilling who edged freshman teammate Judy Drouillard for the win in the 60-yard hurdles. The tracksters also won the four-lap relay.

Although Loras also won six events, the tracksters showed their strength in every event, and Wuertz couldn't say enough for their competitiveness.

"They proved a lot to themselves tonight," Wuertz said. "I told them that I wasn't going to psyche them up tonight, but they had to do it on their own, and they came through."

Others faring well in the meet were junior Lisa Hammerand, who was runner-up in both the mile and the two mile runs; freshman Marsha Huisman, who was second in the high jump and the 300-yard dash; freshman Dianna Downs, who was second in the long jump; freshman Karen Fearing, who was second in the 1000-yard run; and junior Jan Boese and freshman Jan Dass, who were second and third respectively in the shot put.

Wuertz also gave credit to Kline and Baumgartner, who both ran well and had respectable times. Kline was second in the 440-yard dash, and Baumgartner was third in the 880-yard run.

Although the Knights have not yet run against a conference opponent yet, Wuertz said her team is working towards improvement to be ready when the time comes.

"We train mentally for the spring when we will get competition," she said. "We are trying to gain confidence in learning how to race and handling ourselves on the track."

The next meet will also be held in the Physical Education Complex. The meet will feature Simpson, William Penn, and Cornell challenging the Knights Saturday, March 2.

Kasik escapes 'crash landing' to claim win

by TIM MANNING

Things didn't start off too smooth for senior Scott Kasik in the Knights Invitational Friday, but he recovered to give the men's track team their only first-place performance.

Early in the meet, Kasik was running the final leg of the four-lap relay, and in trying to pass an opponent, both he and his opponent took a tumble. After maintenance cleaned the mess, Kasik came back 20 minutes later, with three "strawberries" coating his legs, to win the 440-yard dash.

Coach Dick Lee said Kasik was fortunate to escape serious injury, and was impressed with his courage.

"Scott [Kasik] scored a 9.5 on style points," Lee said. "A lot of runners would have said that's it for the evening."

Loras won nine of the events and showed their presence in every event. Lee said the purpose of the meet was not to win every event but to get used to racing in the midst of tough competition.

"We came into the meet knowing they were going to be very tough," Lee said. "We don't shy away from tough teams."

The Knights didn't lay down and die, however, as they placed in 11 events. Lee said he doesn't worry about his team's determination, and knows each runner will do his best.

"If getting beat was the end of the world, no one would participate in athletics," he said. "I don't worry about competitiveness on this team because we are highly motivated."

In some cases, Lee said he was pleased with the way his team handled the pressure, and said that they still ran relaxed even though they were being pushed.

Running his first race in the 1000-yard run, sophomore Eric Welch ran all out for a respectable timing of 2:25, and was just inches from victory.

Despite lowering his time, freshman Dave Smith could manage just a third-place finish in the two mile run. Smith covered the distance in 9:43.

Other respectable finishes were handed in by freshman Garry Creed, who was second in the high jump; sophomore Chris Creswell, who was third in the 600-yard dash; sophomore Eric Buchholz, who was third in the 300-yard dash; and freshman Tom Shepley, who was third in the 1000-yard dash. The Knights were second in the mile relay and third in the four-lap relay.

The Knights now face a two week layoff before getting pushed back onto the track. Lee is hopeful that his team will come back ready to compete.

The break will give enough time for senior Dan Huston to return and give the Knights a boost. Huston was unable to participate Friday because of a sprained ankle.

The tracksters will get their first real taste of conference competition, as Simpson and William Penn will come to town to compete Friday, March 2, in the P.E. Complex. After trying to keep up with Loras, the Knights will have their hands full against Simpson.

"It will be like getting out of the frying pan and thrown into the fire," Lee added.



Senior Scott Kasik was the only Knight to claim first place honors in the Knights Invitational Saturday.

Ruhnke, Miller expected to be tough in league meet

by CRAIG SESKER

Senior co-captains Scott Ruhnke and Bing Miller will complete the final strides of their stellar wrestling careers as they gun for conference championships when all eight Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC) schools gather in Storm Lake Wednesday for the Iowa Conference wrestling tournament.

Miller, who will compete in the 118-pound weight division, is expected to be seeded third behind Matt Diehl of Central and Joe Caloia of William Penn. Although both grapplers have defeated Miller this season, the margin of victory has been scant.

"I think he [Miller] can beat either guy," Coach Dick Walker said. "He'll have to wrestle well in the semi-finals."

Ruhnke, like Miller, is also competing in a tough weight class at 190 pounds. Dale Lawrence of Cen-

tral and Doyle Naig of Buena Vista are regarded as his main competition.

"Lawrence is pretty tough," Walker said. "He'll have to beat Naig in the semis. Ruhnke needs to wrestle a smarter match than in the dual."

Besides the two seniors, freshman Matt Parmely is expected to be in the running at 167 pounds. An interesting situation exists in this weight as Parmely lost on default to Luther's Craig Robley, while Brad Eggers of Central defeated Robley and Parmely beat Eggers. Walker expects this trio to be the three favorites.

"It will be kind of a round-robin deal," Walker said. "Parmely's a tough competitor and he'll be ready to go for the conference meet."

In terms of team standings, Central is the favorite with Buena Vista and Luther expected to provide the

Flying Dutchmen with their stiffest challenge. Walker feels the Knights will be "lucky" to place fourth.

"Fourth would be the absolute best we could do," he said. "Without Vering [Walt, a freshman] it will be tough. I just hope they get out and be as competitive as possible."

In the Knights' 35-9 loss to the Luther Norsemen Thursday the only Wartburg winners were Miller and Ruhnke.

Miller avenged an earlier loss with a victory at 118 pounds.

Ruhnke rolled to a technical fall at 190 pounds. "We went out and wrestled pretty well," Walker said. "I was fairly pleased. We were short two kids, but we still came to wrestle."

Verning, a heavyweight, is out for the season with a knee injury.

Cagers' pride to be tested this weekend

by TIM MANNING

Any sprinter will tell you that the most important aspect of winning is to get out to a good start. This is true in more ways than one for the men's basketball team, which dropped two games in conference action this weekend.

After getting wiped out by William Penn, 91-65, Friday in Oskaloosa, Upper Iowa dealt the Knight their third loss in a row, 70-62, Saturday in Fayette. The cagers now stand at 10-14 overall and 4-8 in the conference.

"We kept ourselves in the hole in both games because we got behind early," Coach Buzz Levick said. "The big thing is that we lacked confidence."

Not only did the Knights fall behind in their two games this weekend, but Levick said his team has never caught up to the disappointment they suffered earlier in the year.

"It's a mental thing that is catching up with us now, and it's hard to remain enthused when you're not in the conference race late in the season," Levick said.

"It's a combination of the disappointing and close losses we suffered early this season and losing Lance [Van Deest] to an injury."

Now the Knights find themselves in a predicament, as they are tied for last in the conference standings. Levick hopes his team will recover from the weekend to stay out of the basement.

"It is now a matter of personal pride," Levick said. "It's a good challenge for them."

Central and Simpson will come to town this weekend to challenge the Knights. Central has already won the league title regardless of what happens, but the finale with Simpson will be all-important. The men will most likely have to beat Simpson to stay out of the cellar.

"There will be a lot of incentive in that game," Levick said. "The winner will be the team that wants it the most."

Simpson, who beat the Knights earlier in the season by 15 points in Indianola, owns a team much like the Knights, according to Levick.

"They are a young team, and they have been up and down all season," he said. "They are a running team that scores a lot of points."

The two losses this weekend were symbolic of the

Knights' problems all season long. Not only did they miss the easy shots when they had them, but just couldn't stop the opposition.

"It is really hard to say anything good about our team this weekend," Levick said. "We shot very poorly."

In the loss to William Penn, Levick said his team was never really in the game. William Penn made their presence known early, and before the Knights could respond, the Statesmen had built a 13-point lead at the end of the first half.

In the second half, the Statesmen were virtually unstoppable, shooting over 56 percent from the floor. The Knights failed to contain their opponent on the boards, as the Statesmen hauled down 20 offensive rebounds and won the battle of the boards, 48-36.

"They have the best talent in the league, without a doubt," Levick said.

As Levick expected the Knights could not contain the quick Statesmen guards, who combined for 51 points. Freshman Henry Cox had a game-high 29 points and All-American Ron Williams added 22 to give the Knights fits.

"Teams with good scoring guards have just destroyed us," Levick said.

Leading the Knights was sophomore forward Dan Gerdes, who had 16 points and six rebounds. The only other player in double figures for the Knights was junior forward Ward Prine.

In the loss to Upper Iowa, the Knights must have been wondering if there was a lid covering the rim, and the Peacocks took advantage of a poor shooting night by the Knights to win their fifth conference game of the season.

Unfortunately for the cagers, they caught Upper Iowa on a bad night, as the Peacocks shot over 50 percent from the floor, while the Knights shot at a cold 36 percent clip.

The game went back and forth in the opening half, and the Peacocks to a 33-30 advantage into halftime. In the second half, however, the dividends of a packed-in zone payed off. The 2-3 zone forced the front line to make only 12 of 41 attempts.

Although the guards responded with one of their best performances of the season, it was too little too

'It's a mental thing that's catching up with us now, and it's hard to remain enthused when you're not in the conference race this late in the season. It's a combination of the disappointing and close losses we suffered early this season and losing Lance Van Deest to an injury.'

—Buzz Levick

late. After getting behind by ten early in the second half, the Peacocks went to the line and put the finishing touches on the Knights.

Although out-rebounding Upper Iowa and having four players in double figures, the cagers couldn't stop Upper Iowa's Greg Atkins, who had 29 points, and Tony Giger, who added 19.

Although having a bad shooting night, freshman center Art Sathoff led the Knights with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Sophomore guard Barry Huber added 13, and Prine had 12. Sophomore guard Daryl Slotter connected on five of seven shots en route to a 10-point performance.

Central, who Levick calls the best team in the league, will bring one of the top ten defenses in the nation into Knights Gymnasium to tangle with the Knights Friday, Feb. 22.

The final showdown with Simpson will take place Saturday, Feb. 23. Both games will begin at 7:30.

Knights could decide league championship

The Wartburg women's basketball squad could determine who wins the conference championship this weekend when they host Central and Simpson.

League-leading Buena Vista, 10-2 in Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IAC) play, will also host Central and Simpson.

Central, also 10-2 in loop play, will invade Knights Gymnasium Friday. The Knights fell to Central, 67-64 earlier in the season.

If the Knights are to turn around the last game's three-point deficit, they'll have to stop Sue Poppens. Poppens scored 16 points in the Dutch-

men's 63-52 win over Luther Saturday.

Coach Kathy Meyer said the offense would play a big factor in Friday's game as the Dutch switch their defenses throughout the course of the game. In the Knights' last outing against the Dutch, Wartburg shot a dismal 37 percent.

"I think our offense is going to be a big key," Meyer said.

Saturday the Knights will face a tough Simpson squad that beat Wartburg, 78-63, earlier this season.

In that game, Central All-American performer Laurie Sankey had 21 points and 14 rebounds, while All-IAC performer Cindy Woods had 26 points.

"For some reason they always seem to have their best game against us," Meyer said.

If the Knights are to win those two games, things will have to go a lot better than they did over the weekend.

A tough William Penn squad, 9-3 in league play, defeated the Knights, 56-47, in Oskaloosa. The Knights then turned around and defeated a hapless Upper Iowa team, 58-50, Saturday.

Against Penn, the Knights shot a dismal 30.1 percent from the field as Senior Sharon Ubben was the only Knight in double figures, with 12 points.

William Penn's all-conference guard,

Robin Rich-Taylor, had a game-high 13 points.

The Knights were also outrebounded, 40-31.

Against the Upper Iowa Peacocks, the Knights shot 42 percent from the field, while Upper Iowa shot 38 percent.

The Knights were led by junior Sue Klahsen, who collected 21 points. Ubben was the only other Knights in double figures, with 13.

Senior Sandy Bill led the Knights in rebounding, grabbing nine missed shots.

Upper Iowa cleaned the Knights in rebounding, though, snaring 49 of the 81 missed shots.

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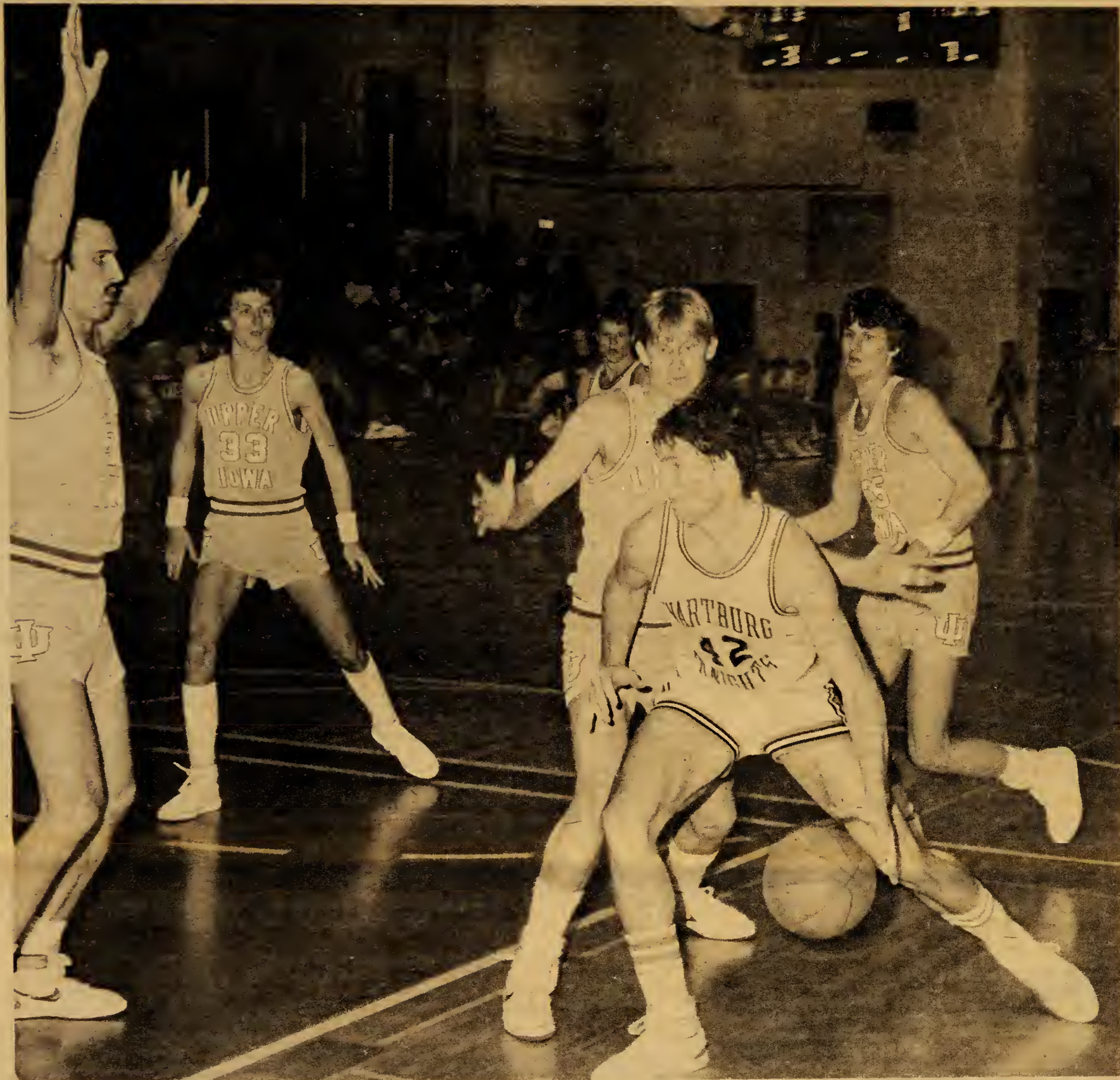
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Junior Ward Prine (42) led the Iowa Conference in scoring after eight games with a 21.1 points per game average. Since transferring from St. Olaf College,

Prine has fit right into the Knights' line-up. He was named to the honorable mention list of the All-IIAC squad and is a native of Council Bluffs.

Prine time

Levick wonders where Knights would be without him

by CRAIG SESKER

It's been "Prine time" most of the season for the Knight basketball program.

"Prine time" simply means that it's been a great season for junior Ward Prine, presently one of the leading scorers in the Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC).

Coach Buzz Levick feels fortunate that Prine, a native of Council Bluffs, changed his mind a couple of summers ago and decided to transfer from St. Olaf College in MN to Wartburg.

"I've wondered many times where we would be this season without him," Levick said.

As a result of an injury to junior Lance Van Deest, much of the Knights' success rested on Prine's shoulders. And he responded by taking over scoring honors in the IIAC with a 21.1 average after eight games.

It all started for Prine when he entered a free throw contest in sixth grade. He then honed his skills at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School before breaking into the starting five as a sophomore at Thomas Jefferson High School.

While at Thomas Jefferson, Prine enjoyed a successful high school career. He was named to the all-conference squad twice and capped his high school career by earning second-team all-state honors his senior season.

Prine credits the competition he faced in high school with his present collegiate success, facing such fierce competition as Kerry Trotter, now at Marquette, and Dave Hoppen of Nebraska.

"There were a lot of good teams in the Metro Conference," he recalled. "It's a physical conference, and it prepared me to play college ball right away."

Prine elected to go to St. Olaf in Norfield, MN, and proved himself by earning a spot on the All-Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference team. Despite his success, he decided St. Olaf wasn't for him.

"The atmosphere up there is different," he said. "It's more like an Ivy League school. I loved playing basketball there, but we only averaged 50 to 75 people at a game. Buzz [Coach Levick] had tried to recruit me in high school, and I had narrowed it down to two choices [St. Olaf and Wartburg]. I gave him a call after that first season at St. Olaf and said I was interested in transferring."

Prine fit immediately into the Knight line-up, as he averaged 9.4 points per game in his first year at Wartburg. He was also named to the honorable mention list of the All-IIAC team.

Prine recently exploded for 67 points in games against Buena Vista (19), Central (23) and Simpson (25) and was voted IIAC player of the week, even

though the Knights won just once in those three outings.

"I was shocked," Prine said. "It was nice in a way. I was just one of the lucky ones they noticed."

Prine didn't rest on his laurels, though, as he poured in 27 points and picked up eight rebounds in his next start against arch-rival Luther.

His personal success notwithstanding, Prine has set his sights on helping the Knights close out the season on a positive note.

"I look forward to each game and see us getting better each time out," he said. "We had a bad slump, but we'll come out of it."

Prine credits much of his success to an extensive weight training program that added 10 pounds to his 6-4 frame.

"I'm best inside, and if you play inside in the Iowa Conference, you had better be physical," Prine said. "I did quite a bit of lifting, and I can tell the difference."

He has not only noticed a difference from the weight training, but Levick also noticed a difference in Prine's play.

"Ward has played very well since Christmas," Levick said. "When you look at the consistency he has demonstrated, you can see he's a very dependable player from every standpoint. He possesses a lot of character and qualities you like in an athlete."



Sophomore Scott Phillips, winner of the "Buddy of the Year" contest, models the "Buddy" pin he received after Sophomore Tracy Stevens wrote an essay on why he is a "buddy."

Phillips wins CARE's 'Buddy of the Year'

Sophomore Scott Phillips won the "Buddy of the Year" contest sponsored by the Committee on Alcohol Responsibility and Education (CARE).

Phillips received the award on Valentine's Day. He was nominated by sophomore Tracy Stevens, who wrote an essay (less than 50 words) explaining why Phillips was a "buddy."

The award was the highlight of CARE's "What's a Buddy Week."

Kathy Kratchmer, CARE coordinator, said the purpose of the week was to recognize friends. Stevens and Phillips believe it was successful in that purpose.

"I thought the Buddy idea was a

good one. I saw the ad for it in the page and wanted to try for it," said Stevens. "I think friends need to be told how special they are."

Phillips was confused at the onset of his award because he had also sent in something for Stevens.

"This really makes a person think about who his friends really are," Phillips said.

Thirty students wrote essays about their "buddies". Phillips and Stevens won a pizza from Pizza Hut.

"Some people thought it was a crazy idea," Phillips concluded, "but I thought it was a great way to talk about your friends."



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Wartburg student reflects on week in two Central American capital cities

Senior Dave Herder relates civil war, poverty in Nicaragua, El Salvador

by SHELLY GREEN

One often hears professors, administrators and alumni advising students not to let classes get in the way of their education. Senior Dave Herder took those words to heart a few weeks ago and spent a week in Central America "learning."

Herder went to El Salvador and Nicaragua with his father, the Rev. Merrill Herder, a member of the Standing Committee of the American Lutheran Church, to assess the severity of the situation and see what could be done.

Herder said he was surprised by many things he experienced.

"I knew there was a lot of poverty, but I didn't expect what I saw. The people lived in mud huts and didn't have a lot to eat," he explained.

"The amount of small children running around, just living, was unbelievable."

Herder spent his eight days in and around the capital cities of El Salvador and Nicaragua, San Salvador and Managua, visiting refugee camps and communities established by various church and peace groups to see what they were doing for the people.

"Different churches are doing what they can to improve the living conditions of these people," he said. "They are providing better food and medical help and making small improvements in housing."

"Lutheran World Relief just built a new school. That's a big step because illiteracy is a big problem in El Salvador," he explained.

'The experience I had during that week far outweighs any experience I've had at Wartburg.'

—senior Dave Herder

A couple days of the stay were spent at the U.S. Embassy. Herder, and the other 18 members of the group spent an hour with Ambassador Pickering.

Herder thought the most inspiring part of his week was all of the different people he met and talked with.

"We met one lady who had been tortured and raped. She even showed us her scars," Herder said. "She had four family members who had been assassinated and nine others that are missing. I had to admire her."

A native Salvadoran pastor, working for his people, was another acquaintance of Herder's.

"My talk with him was so inspirational," Herder said, because he needed "to know that people were working so hard down here."

He also met a professor from the University of Central America and talked with several students.

"They spoke such good English. Many of them had been to the United States and we could talk about the differences," Herder said.

After five days in El Salvador and two days in Nicaragua, Herder said the trip has changed many of his views.



Senior Dave Herder gets back to the books after spending a week in El Salvador and Nicaragua. Herder, who said the week "far outweighs any experience I've had at Wartburg," was surprised by the tremendous poverty in the two Central American countries.

"Even though I was only there a week, the trip will have a big impact on my life. My attitude has changed," Herder explained. "I know what it's like to be in the minority. I started thinking about all the international and minority students we have at Wartburg. I've never thought about what it was like for them before."

"I admire them for staying here for four years," he said. "Our attitude towards others is bad. We call refugees 'boat people' and we think we are so much better. We could learn so much from them if we didn't feel like we were above them."

Herder, who was given financial assistance from Campus Life Ministry, wants to share his experiences. He's planning to show his slides and relate his experiences from the week in March.

If Herder would go back it would be awhile before he did.

"I want to help but I don't want to be there," he explained. "I've lived in the Midwest all my life and I can't get used to all of the guns and military being around all of the time."

Soldiers and civilians carry machine guns around openly in the streets, Herder said. At times he heard the rumbling of gunfire and bombing nearby.

"I just didn't want to be that close to the violence."

Herder would like to go back when the war is over.

"It's going to take a long time before things get

cleared up down there," Herder emphasized, "but there is always hope."

"The problems hinge on the government, the economy, the overpopulation, the illiteracy and the presence of the military," Herder said.

It's not only the presence of the Salvadoran military, but the U.S. forces, Herder explained.

"We really shouldn't be there," he said. "But we can't really pull out. We're so deeply embedded. If we did pull out a chain of things would occur."

Even though the American forces are present, Herder didn't find the people harsh or afraid as he had expected.

"They were actually very friendly with us," he said. "They liked us, I just don't think they are too pleased with our government. It is their civil war, so the presence of our troops is a little confusing."

Herder said the American culture is visible everywhere.

"The U.S. has a big influence, especially militarily. The new president is having dialogue with the guerilla fighters but the people are skeptical because of President Reagan's influence," he said.

Herder thinks the Americans are making a dent in both good and bad ways in Central America.

"I saw so many different sides that it is hard to know what is really going on down there."

Herder wouldn't trade the week for any other.

"The experience I had during that week far outweighs any experience I've had at Wartburg."

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